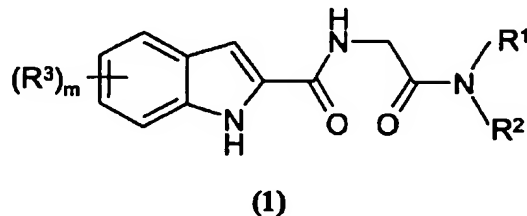


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ABSTRACT**INDOLE-AMIDE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS GLYCOGEN
PHOSPHORYLASE INHIBITORS**

Heterocyclic amides of formula (1)



wherein:

R¹ is independently selected from, for example, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₅₋₇cycloalkyl, C₅₋₇cycloalkylC₁₋₃alkyl, C₁₋₆alkoxy, C₅₋₇cycloalkoxy, C₅₋₇cycloalkylC₁₋₃alkoxy, heterocyclyl, heterocyclylC₁₋₃alkyl, heterocyclyoxy or heterocyclylC₁₋₃alkoxy;

R² is phenyl or heteroaryl;

R³ is independently selected from hydrogen, halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₂₋₄alkenyl, C₂₋₄alkynyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkanoyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl and trifluoromethoxy;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or pro-drug thereof; possess glycogen phosphorylase inhibitory activity and accordingly have value in the treatment of disease states associated with increased glycogen phosphorylase activity. Processes for the manufacture of said heterocyclic amide derivatives and pharmaceutical compositions containing them are described.